

**Virginia Board of Education**

**Student Advisory Committee**

**Minutes: February 22, 2005**

Students in Attendance:

Ashley Beaudin, James Wood High School; Patricia Castillo, Denbigh High School; Liz Chassey, Prince Edward Middle School; Jonte Craighead, The Gereau Center; Ginny Fuller, Monacan High School; Richard Ingebresten, Battlefield Middle School; Lori Lippman, Albert Hill Middle School; Katie Logan, Luray High School; Katelyn Mendoza, Monticello High School; Molly Rubin, Kempsville High School; Jessica Schatz, Courtland High School; Thomas Webb, Graham High School

Virginia Board of Education Members in Attendance:

Isis Castro, Eleanor Saslaw, Andrew Rotherham

Department of Education Staff in Attendance:

Anne Wescott, Michelle Vucci, Michelle Parker, Melissa Velazquez, Sandra Peterson

Mrs. Castro and Mrs. Saslaw welcomed the members of the Student Advisory Committee. Speakers from the Virginia Department of Education presented information to the committee regarding the three issues that were selected for this year. Julie Moon, School Health Specialist, and Myra Shook, Safe and Drug Free Schools Program Specialist, spoke on Student Psychological Health/School Violence; Lolita Hall, Team Lead for Test Implementation, Don Marsh, Team Lead, History Assessment Development, and Barbara Jones, Team Lead, English Assessment Development, spoke on testing and creative instruction; and Cherry Gardner, Fine Arts, K-12 Specialist, spoke on curriculum diversity with a focus in the arts.

After lunch, the Student Advisory Committee convened in their three work groups to discuss the research they had done since the December meeting and the information that had been presented in the morning, and to develop a brief statement for presentation to the Board of Education at its meeting on Wednesday, February 23, 2005. The entire committee then reconvened to listen to reports on each work group's progress and their proposed statements for the Board.

The meeting adjourned at 2:45 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for April 19-20, 2005.